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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, SA, US
SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (EAA)

1. AS THE DEPARTMENT AND DOD ARE AWARE, THE ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (EAA), UNDER WHICH THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS OPERATES IN SAUDI ARABIA, EXPIRES MAY 24, 1978. WE WOULD LIKE TO START PLANNING NOW HOW TO APPROACH THE SAG ON A RENEWAL.

2. BOTH DIVENGR AND EMBASSY BELIEVE THE BEST WAY TO PRO-

CEED IS TO REQUEST VIA DIPLOMATIC NOTE A RENEWAL WITHOUT CHANGE. THOUGH THERE ARE A FEW ANACHRONISMS IN THE PRESENT AGREEMENT--E.E., REFERENCES TO THE OLD MEDITERRANEAN DIVISION AND TO LIVORNO--DIVENGR HAS BEEN TOLD BY ITS MODA LIAISON OFFICER THAT EVEN SUCH A SLIGHT AMENDMENT MIGHT GIVE SAG LAWYERS AN OPENING TO DEMAND OTHER, MORE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES. FOR EXAMPLE, WE ARE SOMEWHAT CONCERNED THAT SAG MAY WANT TO ALTER THE SECTION OF THE EAA THAT GOVERNS THE LEGAL STATUS OF COE PERSONNEL. (THE SAME
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ISSUE IS STILL UNRESOLVED IN THE USMTM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BECAUSE OF WIDE DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS BETWEEN SAG AND USG ON LEGAL STATUS.)

3. IF THE DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION WE WILL SUBMIT A NOTE TO SAG TO INITIATE RENEWAL DISCUSSIONS.

4. THIS IS JOINT EMBASSY-COE DIVISION ENGINEER MESSAGE.
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